



Easter  
Seals™

Alberta

changinglives

2006 ANNUAL REPORT

We provide **solutions**  
and change lives.  
When all other  
sources of funding  
have failed, we are  
there to ensure life is  
positively accessible.

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our vision

Through passion and commitment we make a difference in the lives of people with disabilities and special needs.

our mission

With community support and collaboration, we provide resources and services that enhance the quality of life for individuals and their families with disabilities and special needs.



# sense of pride

Our 6 year old son Zac, was born with a form of cerebral palsy that leaves him unable to speak. To be unable to vocalize his thoughts was a huge challenge for a fun loving and inquisitive boy. Easter Seals helped Zac have a voice by providing him with an augmentative communication device. Zac is now able to communicate with his family and friends and participate in his classroom. Zac's favorite things to talk about with his communication device are how his day at school was, to tell jokes and to order his own meal at restaurants. This device has changed the way Zac interacts with others. It gives him a great sense of pride to know that his thoughts are important and are being acknowledged.

Katie Groff (Zac's mom)

I used to live on my own before I got sick. I was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis six years ago when I was 21 years old. It has been an interesting experience for me living with a disability since I had been a personal care attendant before ms prevented me from working. You can think that you have empathy for people but until you are in the situation, you can never really understand what it is like living with a disability. When I moved back to my parents' place after I had to quit my job, I felt I had lost my independence. Moving out of my parent's house to Easter Seals McQueen Residence gave my Mom, my brother and I a chance to continue living our own lives. Living here has been beneficial to me in many ways, such as being able to make my own decisions about my finances, my life choices and learning about my disability and all its implications. I am learning about getting along with other people who have disabilities different from my own. Living on my own has taught me that despite my disability I can still carry on living my life and continue on with doing the things I hope to accomplish.

# living my life

**Ryan Goodyear** Easter Seals McQueen Resident



**Levi Barron** Alberta Easter Seals 2006 Youth Ambassador (South) and Camper

Easter Seals Camp Horizon was really fun. Also the kids were very nice to each other. We all had disabilities, and we all respected each other. I made some great friends at camp and I hope I get to see them again next summer. I felt safe and this was the first time for me away from home and my mom after being diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. I had three favorite parts, the giant swing, horseback riding, and most of all, the counselors. They were really nice and lots of fun. I'm glad there is a summer camp for kids who have disabilities. We can just go and get away from things and just be kids and teenagers. Thank you Easter Seals.



just  
be  
kids

# gift of mobility



**Andrea D. Burrows** Client of Alberta Easter Seals

Thank you for the gift of mobility and most of all thank you to ALL at Easter Seals for caring. I have already used the scooter to go to work and to the Museum to do my volunteer work. I was also able to take my little niece to the park for the afternoon while her mother was at college. It is so wonderful to be an active member of the family and community once again. We are each other angels – thank you for being mine.

# 2006 Highlights Through residential living, and the services and mobility equipment Easter Seals changed the lives of people with disabilities and their families.

Her Honour, Mrs. Mary Kwong (wife of Lieutenant Governor, The Honourable Norman L. Kwong) becomes the 2006 Honourary Chair of Alberta Easter Seals.

A memorable Christmas Camp plays host to 52 adult campers and 60 volunteers who enjoy caroling, sleigh rides, baking, arts & crafts, snowshoeing, campfires, and other wonderful winter activities.

Easter Seals We Care Ball celebrates 20 years of fundraising for our programs.

The recipients of the Phyllis Davidson Scholarship for students with disabilities continue to work hard to achieve their degrees in Fine Arts, Commerce, and Masters' degrees in Engineering and Psychology. Another proud recipient recently graduated with his Law degree.

Easter Seals 24-Hour Relay celebrates its 20th anniversary in Edmonton.

Fourteen seniors are given the Gift of Mobility through the purchase of scooters thanks to the Calgary Foundation.

Oilermania Fan Event organized by St. Albert Century 21 A.L.L. Stars raises \$2,400 for Easter Seals.

Calgary hosts the top Drop Zone Event for Easter Seals kids in Canada for a second year in a row raising \$140,000 and rappelling the most superheroes nationwide.

Through our successful Equipment Recycling Program, 99 out of 233 pieces of equipment are provided to Albertans at a cost savings of nearly \$300,000.

Active Living Alliance weekend youth retreat – for the first time, youth from Alberta with and without disabilities gathered at Easter Seals Camp Horizon to participate and learn about healthy active living practices.

Through a wonderful community effort, 7 services clubs, one foundation, and one individual, came together to raise almost \$38,000 for the Easter Seals McQueen Residence. The money raised went towards a specialized Century Tub, plus other needed renovations in the home.



## April Zambal

CHRISTMAS CAMP VOLUNTEER 2006

“Even when breaks were given I didn't really take them because there was always fun stuff to do.”

# h camp experiences, e provision of necessary quipment, Alberta Easter of thousands of Albertans ir families in 2006.

Almost 600 children and teens with cancer, diabetes, cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, Crohn's and colitis, ostomies, kidney impairments and other disabilities experience summer camp programs where they are empowered and succeed in challenges they never thought possible.

For the first time ever, Alberta Easter Seals offered a million dollar hole-in-one in the 15th Annual Kevin Karius Easter Seals Celebrity Golf Classic.

A special fundraising event in honour of Zac Groff (northern Alberta's Easter Seals Ambassador), Nelson Ralph (Zac's Grandfather) shaved his head and raised \$8,935 from individual donations. Supreme Steel generously matched the donation bringing the total to \$17,870 for Alberta Easter Seals.

After collecting 9 million pop can tabs, Tabs 4 Wheels was able to donate enough money to buy a power mobility scooter for a client of Alberta Easter Seals with multiple sclerosis.

Alberta Easter Seals increased equipment support to Albertans with disabilities by 15% over last year.

Easter Seals Camp Horizon is booked to near capacity with school groups, clubs, corporate retreats and other functions. Throughout the year, 7,500 campers of all abilities and ages attend our camp programs and utilize our facilities; 1,600 of these are campers with special needs!

## Brian Duggan EASTER SEALS DROP ZONE PARTICIPANT



“Once upon a time there was a little boy who wanted to go to summer camp. Through the generosity of others he was able to go, where he learned to overcome his “differences” and lead a (somewhat) normal life. Now, it is time to give back, to help others with the same opportunity.”

# 2006 annual awards

**Glen Matheson Award**  
Darrel Janz – CTV

**Order of Merit**  
Coughlin Family

**Corporate Awards**  
Century 21 The Professionals

CREIT

**Certificate of Recognition**  
Scott and Signy Morton

Dawn Chisholm

Bragg Creek Snowbirds  
Seniors Fellowship

**Volunteer Board  
of Directors**

Ken Bagnall  
*Edmonton*

Hu Young  
*Edmonton*

Dale Briske  
*Edmonton*

Heather Dale  
*Edmonton*

Janie Dale  
*Lethbridge*

Anne Ewen  
*Bragg Creek*

Dennis Davis  
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*Hythe*

Simone Chalifoux  
*Edmonton*

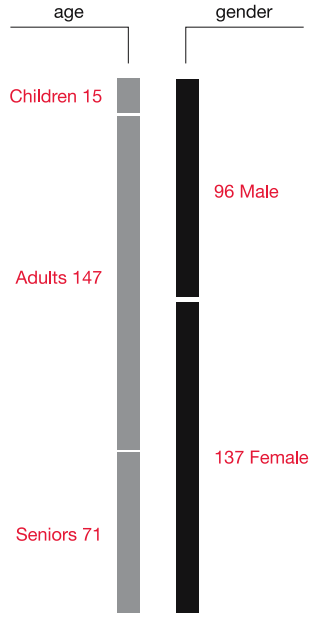
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*Grande Prairie*

Richard Demers  
*Edmonton*

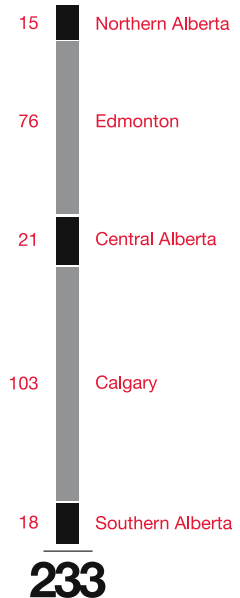
Ken Jurina  
*Edmonton*

Susan Law, CEO  
*Calgary*

## Equipment provided by



## Request provided by provincial region



# Statistical Report

## Equipment and Support Services

November 1, 2005 to  
October 31, 2006



**Equipment provided by client disability** Arthritis **52** Multiple Sclerosis **45** Other **24** Respiratory Disease **19** Stroke **16** Back Disorder **12** Cerebral Palsy **12** Diabetes **9** Heart Disease **8** Fibromyalgia/CFS **6** Brain Injury **5** Amputee **4** Cancer **4** Muscular Dystrophy **4** Parkinson's **4** Paraplegic **3** Spina Bifida **2** Polio **2** Quadriplegic **1** Rhett Syndrome **1**

### This year we provided or contributed to

#### Mobility Aids

Power Wheelchair	#	30	\$	90,823
Scooter		113		231,989
Tilt/recline for power wheelchair		4		13,144
Power Wheelchair Adaptations		1		552
<b>TOTAL</b>	#	<b>148</b>	\$	<b>336,508</b>

#### Vehicle Adaptations

Van Lift	#	4	\$	7,772
Tie Downs		2		1,274
Scooter Hoist		5		8,731
Hand controls		2		3,008
Other		5		8,412
<b>TOTAL</b>	#	<b>18</b>	\$	<b>29,197</b>

#### Home Adaptations

Indoor Lift	#	14	\$	19,750
Ramp		4		1,415
Porch Lift		8		18,693
Other		1		1
<b>TOTAL</b>	#	<b>27</b>	\$	<b>39,859</b>

#### Other

Aug Communication Device	#	8	\$	21,928
Lift Assist Chair		17		11,412
Electric bed		10		3,497
Portable Air Conditioner		1		1
Personal Lift		1		1,245
Other		3		1,067
<b>TOTAL</b>	#	<b>40</b>	\$	<b>39,150</b>

**GRAND TOTAL** # **233** \$ **444,714**

# our supporters **Over 80**

## **Friends**

Alberta Orange Foundation  
For Children  
Alberta Royal Purple  
Association  
Allard Foundation  
Apex AV Rentals  
Austin Nelson Foundation  
Beretta Protective  
Services Int.  
Boston Pizza  
Bragg Creek Snowbirds  
Seniors Fellowship  
The Brennan Family  
The Brick  
Bridge Brand a GFS  
Canada Company  
Calgary Academy of Chefs  
Calgary Catholic Teachers'  
Charities Association  
Calgary Foundation, Mr. &  
Mrs. James F. Burns Senior  
Family Designated Fund  
Carma  
Century 21 (St. Albert) –  
Cindi Knight Team  
Century Grill  
Charton Hobbs  
The City of Calgary (Roads)  
The City of Edmonton/  
ACT Centre  
Champion Concrete  
Cutting & Coring Inc.  
Choice Office  
Personnel Ltd.  
Cohen Foundation  
Cycle Works  
Doctors Speakers Bureau  
Eco Medical Equipment  
Ed Barclay  
EnCana Cares Foundation  
Extreme Pita  
First Energy Capital  
The Focus Corporation  
Franklin Templeton  
Investments Corporation  
Frank's Sandblasting  
Game on Sports  
Glencoe Gators Swim Club  
Glentel Inc.  
I H S Energy  
Jasper Place Lions Club  
Kallen Graphics  
Kin Club of Fort Edmonton  
Kingston Ross Pasnak  
Koehli Wickenberg  
Chartered Accountants  
Lignum Interiors  
Londonderry Mall  
Martin Equipment Ltd.  
Masonic Foundation  
of Alberta  
Michael E. Lobsinger  
Morgex  
NAL Resource  
Management Ltd.

National Council of  
Jewish Women  
Norman Fournier  
O'Byrnes Irish Pub  
Overtime Broiler & Taproom  
PENGROWTH  
Quentin Nanninga  
RAT International  
Red Deer Community  
Foundation  
Reliable Tube  
Rotary Club of Edmonton  
Precision Drilling  
Corporation  
SAAN  
Shell Canada Ltd.,  
Jumping Pound Complex  
Shoppers Home  
Health Care  
Singleton's Hair Care  
Steve & Lynn Gibson  
Srixon Golf  
Suncor Energy  
Sutton Place Hotel  
TABS 4 Wheels  
Talisman Energy  
Tom Watson Photography  
Uniglobe Geo Travel  
University of Alberta  
Hospital Staff Charity  
Trust Fund  
Wal-Mart  
Weir Financial Services  
William F. Lede Family  
Foundation  
Yamnuska

## **Partners**

Air Canada  
Antrim Energy Inc.  
The Calgary Foundation,  
The Scott Daniel Seaman  
Memorial Fund, Strathcona  
Tweedsmuir Award -  
Lizzie Pearson  
Calgary Children's  
Foundation  
Campers Village / The  
Norseman Group Ltd.  
Century 21 A.L.L.  
Stars Realty  
Century 21 Castlewood  
Agencies (1997) Ltd  
CTV  
Edmonton Public Teachers'  
Local 37 Charity Trust Fund  
Edmonton Sun  
EnCana Corporation  
Epiar  
Fraternal Order of  
Eagles #4241  
Harold E. Ballard  
Foundation  
Hy's Steakhouse  
Knette Club of Calgary  
Kinsmen Club of Okotoks

Lagnaf Web Design  
Medicine Hat Community  
Foundation  
Mountain FM 106.5  
Quixtar  
Supreme Steel  
Uniglobe Bravo Travel Ltd.  
Vertically Inclined  
Rock Gym  
Watson Family Foundation

## **Champions**

630 CHED/Cool 880  
100.3 FM - The Bear/1260  
- The Team Sports Radio  
Arthritis Association of  
Edmonton  
The Associated  
Canadian Travellers  
Banded Peak Challenge  
Supporters and Volunteers  
CHAS - Children's  
Hospital Aid Society  
Cineplex  
CJAY 92  
Classic Country AM 1060  
Coughlin Family Memorial  
Golf Tournament  
CREIT  
Hyperactive Watersports  
John Lajeunesse  
Labatt  
The Lloyd Carr-Harris  
Foundation  
Mac's Charity Golf  
Tournament  
Money Mart  
Marton & Connie Murphy,  
(PEI) People Engaged in  
Benevolent Activities  
Multiple Sclerosis  
Society of Canada  
(Edmonton Chapter)  
Nickle Family Foundation  
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## **Presidents Circle**

Alberta Health and  
Wellness, Capital Health  
Calgary Foundation  
CIBC World Markets  
Children's Miracle  
Foundation  
Community Initiatives  
Program  
Davidson Family  
Employment, Immigration &  
Industry, formerly known as  
Alberta Human Resources  
and Employment  
Global TV  
Kinsmen Club of Calgary  
Multiple Sclerosis  
Society of Canada  
(Calgary Chapter)  
Sobeys

% of our revenue is a direct result of people, businesses and foundations being involved in, and supporting our events and campaigns.

AUDITORS' REPORT

DECEMBER 8, 2006 EDMONTON, ALBERTA

To the Directors of Alberta Easter Seals Society:

The accompanying summarized statements of financial position and results from operations are derived from the complete financial statements of Alberta Easter Seals Society as at October 31, 2006 and for the year then ended. In our auditors' report on the complete financial statements dated December 8, 2006, we expressed a qualified opinion, as is common with many not-for-profit organizations, because we were unable to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of donation revenue. The fair summarization of the complete financial statements is the responsibility of management. Our responsibility, in accordance with the applicable Assurance Guideline of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, is to report on the summarized financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements fairly summarize, in all material respects, the related complete financial statements in accordance with the criteria described in the Guideline referred to above.

These summarized financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes. For more information on the Council's financial position and results of operations, reference should be made to the complete financial statements.



Kingston Ross Pasnak LLP  
Chartered Accountants

## SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2006

Alberta Easter Seals Society

RESULTS FROM OPERATIONS (\$-000'S)	2006	2005
<b>Revenues</b>		
Fundraising campaigns and events	\$ 1,979	\$ 2,000
Easter Seals Camp Horizon	749	781
Residential home	454	438
Equipment Support Services	204	204
Other income	184	13
Investment income	27	26
Estates/bequests	11	23
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 3,608</b>	<b>\$ 3,485</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Programs and services	\$ 1,987	\$ 1,989
Cost of fundraising activities	810	810
General administration	582	541
Funds provided to Easter Seal clubs and to the national office	89	103
Amortization	75	83
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>3,543</b>	<b>3,526</b>
Deficiency of revenue over expenditures	<b>\$ 65</b>	<b>\$ (41)</b>

### FINANCIAL POSITION

#### Assets

Cash	\$ 305	\$ 287
Other current assets	330	392
Property and equipment	757	805
Estate/bequest investments	515	487
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,907</b>	<b>\$ 1,971</b>

#### Liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 203	\$ 297
Deferred revenue	395	464
	598	761
 Externally restricted contributions	 225	 192
	823	953

#### Net Assets

Investment in property and equipment	366	397
Estate/bequest contributions internally restricted	613	516
Endowment funds	105	105
Unrestricted net assets	-	-
	1,084	1,018

<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,907</b>	<b>\$ 1,971</b>
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Approved on behalf of the Board



Director



Director

## FINANCES

FOR YEAR ENDED OCTOBER 31, 2006

The Financial Statements of Alberta Easter Seals Society for the year ended October 31, 2006 are audited by Kingston Ross Pasnak LLP, Chartered Accountants. Copies are available upon request.

The tables and charts below summarize the operating results and distribution of revenue and expenditures.

### SUMMARY OF OPERATING RESULTS

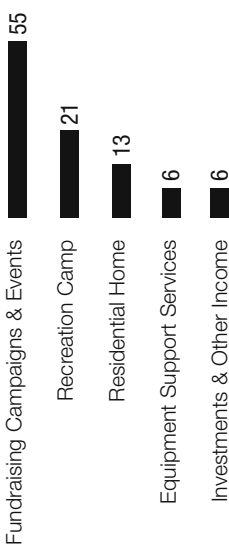
AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS

	2006		2005
Total Revenue	\$ 3,608	\$	3,485
Total Expenditures	\$ 3,543	\$	3,526
(Deficit)/Surplus	<u>65</u>		<u>(41)</u>

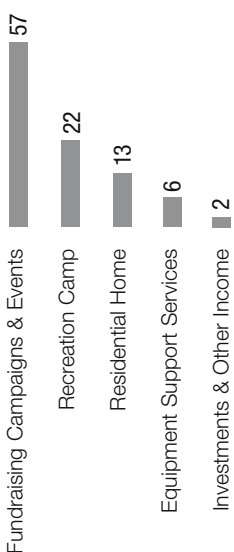
### DISTRIBUTION OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES

BY PROGRAM/SERVICES

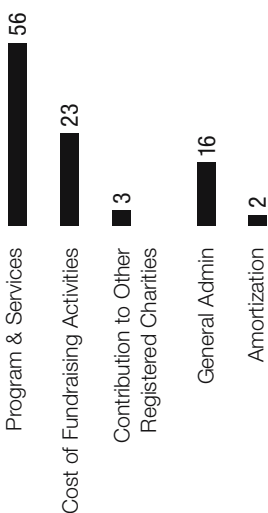
2006 REVENUES (%)



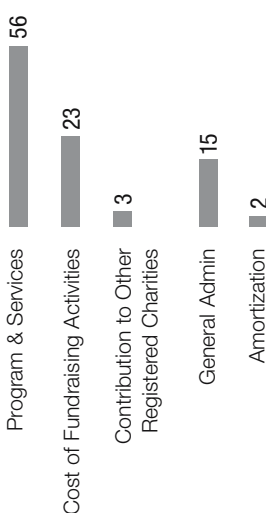
2005 REVENUES (%)



2006 EXPENDITURES (%)



2005 EXPENDITURES (%)



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